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Mr. Ken A. Kluksdahl Mine Manager Tenneco Minerals P.O. Box 2650 St. George, Utah 84770

Dear Mr. Kluksdahl:

Re: Approval of Mine Plan Amendment, Groundwater Monitoring Wells, Goldstrike Mine, M/053/005, Washington County, Utah

The Division has reviewed a copy of your August 7, 1991, mine plan amendment, which was received from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Dixie Resource Area. The plan describes the location and completion details for eight (8) groundwater monitoring wells which have been drilled at the Goldstrike Mine.

It is our understanding that the monitoring wells were located, drilled and completed with the concurrence of the State Division of Water Quality. It is also our understanding that the BLM Dixie Resource Area office has also acknowledged acceptance of this plan.

This Division hereby formally acknowledges our acceptance and approval of Tenneco's mine plan amendment. We acknowledge the adequacy of the existing reclamation surety amount (\$1,200,000), to cover the projected decommissioning/reclamation costs for these wells.

We have one supplemental information request regarding this plan. Please provide us with an updated surface facilities map of appropriate scale which shows

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the locations of the monitoring wells in relation to the mine site facilities. We appreciate your cooperation in this regard.

Sincerely,

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